

HUMAN CONCERN INTERNATIONAL
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FIELD OF ACTIVITIES



In Pakistan:

Since 1984 HCI is running Schools for Afghan children, at present we are operating a middle School for boys at Hope village complex in Akora Khattak.

Hope Village School was providing educational facilities up to middle level to 684 students, among these 200 students are living in School hostel.

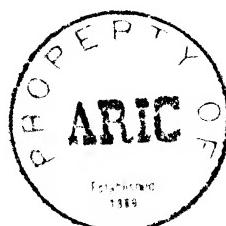
Purpose of the project is to provide an extend basic educational services to poor Afghan children and especially to orphan. HCI is providing all the educational facilities. I.e.. Uniforms, Schoolbooks, and stationery free of cost to the students who are coming from the camp.

The hostel children are provided free food, clothing, books, stationeries and other daily use items.

Hope Village School is equipped with a library with good collection of education related books and on books on children related subjects.

The students are also encouraged to participate in other co-educational activities, such as easy writing competition, story writing and other than educational activities such as sports ...etc. for their healthy growth.

Hope Village School maintained good education standard. From the beginning of the academic year the new enrollment reached to 684 students against the previous strength of 430, but with the starting of repatriation process, the strength reduced.



Sponsoring Afghan girls for their education

HCI is currently sponsoring 9 Afghan girls for their education in primary Schools with uniforms, School fee, books and stationeries in Peshawar.

These little girls and their families are very happy with HCI assistance, because in the urban area there is no free School for Afghan children, and the families living in urban areas belongs to Kabul city and they are much found of education for their children. These children are very active and always got good results in their respective classes.

Higher education sponsorship for Afghans

HCI is sponsoring one Afghan female in Afghan medical college and one Afghan male in a Pakistani Engineering College (in Texella) for the last two years. The female student is in third year of the medical college and the male also in 3rd year of the engineering college. This is a part of HCI's higher education assistance program for Afghan refugees.

Vocational Training Centre (VTC):

HCI provides vocational training to 190 young Afghan children those are residing in the hostel, the children are being trained on variety of fields viz. (tailoring, leather good making, carpentry, carpet weaving and patto/shawl weaving) under supervision of expert trainers. Program aims at "providing vocational training, technical skills by virtue of that technical knowledge they can have an in-come generation opportunities" in future.

In the last 6-month period we have trained 190 children in tailoring, carpet weaving, carpentry work,

Mother & Child Health Care Program:

As we were operating a 24 hours Basic Health Unit (BHU) for the Afghan refugees with our partner organizations CARE International & MRCA hospital, as the BHU or a full capacity hospital is very much needed for the refugees population, because the camp is very far from the urban health facilities. The health unit proved very beneficial for the poor people of the area. The clinic was staffed with two doctors, two nurses (males and females) laboratory technician, dispenser and a health educator plus OPD operator. The people were very happy and comfortable with the services of the facility. Daily 120 to 150 patients were attending and benefited from the services. But in December 2001, on the expiry of the agreement, we have again to switch the facility to a limited scale Mother & Child Health care clinic on five day a week basis with a MD lady doctor a male nurse/ dispenser.

MCH clinic is serving for females and children of Akora Khattak refugee's camps. Due to restriction of funds daily an average of 40 patients from the camps and School are benefited from MCH clinic services, serious patients are referred to other big hospitals in Peshawar.

Psychiatry Clinic:

In March we have conducted a seminar on psychiatry first time in refugee camp, the expert were from the University of Missouri United States. A large number of participants attended the seminar, on the conclusion of the seminar and on the demand of the participants and camp elders, the mental health experts and HCI agreed to establish a psychiatry clinic in Hope village in first step and then in September or earlier October 2002 to develop it to a counseling centre for the refugees as is promised by our donors. This counseling centre will be a base from here we will deliver the services to other camps and refugees located area.

From April 2002 the psychiatry clinic is in operation, we have engaged specialist Doctor from Khyber Teaching hospital, a very famous teaching hospital in Peshawar and a social worker. In the initial stage it works a day per week basis, on its working days up to 180 people visit the clinic but we could entertained only 60 patients, we are considering to increase the

number of days with consultation with the donors, hopefully in mid of September we can increase the working days of this clinic.

This clinic is very much beneficial for the refugee and day by day the patients numbers are increasing, the refugees always praises the clinic performance.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT & MICRO CREDIT PROJECT:

Human Concern International with having in mind to assist the vulnerable groups and to involve them in community development, for the last three years we are operating this program with the assistance of different donor's agencies. The training comprises of following fields:

For widows and poor women from the camp

Tailoring
Carpet Weaving
Embroidery/Knitting

45 females were trained in tailoring, carpet weaving and embroidery and knitting. After completion of the course, certificates were distributed and tool kits were given to the trainees for work for their own. HCI is regularly monitoring their work and helping them in marking their products and finding works for them on wages basis.

An another batch of 45 trainees are learning the skill in Carpet weaving, Tailoring and Embroider/knitting.

Since the overall objective of the project was to enable the vulnerable groups of the society –orphans, widows & needy- to stand on their own feet and have regular income. The training activities have been designed to help the most vulnerable segment of Afghan refugee's population. These activities had provided the opportunity to widows and orphans & needy male and females to learn new skills and establish their own businesses or income generation activities. Participation in skill training program, identification, establishment and management of their businesses and income generating activities will provide these widows and orphans with

new perspectives and experiences that will form their future development and enhance their ability, we have very good example of such kind of male and female in the camps, before attending the training course they were shy, depress and the family financial position was very bad, after completion of the course and getting their own business their moral are up, their financial position has been improved, and some of the female are doing very active role for their families and for the communities. On completion of the training we are providing small-scale loan with tool kit plus materials to enable the trainees to start their own business on easy installments.

We have also assisted the skilled persons for their finished goods for the marketing facilities thus encouraging them to practice the skill and earn to help his or her family and live an honorable life.

Relief program for the refugees.

The following relief assistance distributions were done: -

- a) Human Concern International has distributed wheat flour (20 kg), cooking oil (5 kg), sugar 2.5 kg, tea .5 kg at Akora Khattak refugees camp after consultation with UNHCR. The beneficiaries were 18,000 individuals.
- b) Under Ramadan feeding program we distributed rice, beans, sugar, and cooking oil 5 kg each to 2,000 families in Akora Khattak refugee's camp and 800 Afghan new refugee families in urban area in Peshawar.
- c) HCI also distributed wheat flour 20 kg, bean 5 kg, cooking oil 2.5 kg, sugar 5 kg and green tea .5 kg to 300 new refugees families in Akora and 200 new refugee living in Pawaka, board and Tajabad area in Peshawar.
- d) On the advise of UNHCR, HCI dispatched 500 packages of food item, containing 5 kg rice, 5 kg beans, 5kg sugar, black tea .5 kg and salt 1 kg each to 500 new refugee in Old Bagzai camp in Kuram agency. This was under HCI emergency relief program.

- e) On an urgent request of UNHCR emergency cell, we arranged feeding for 91 families new refugees those were going to be shifted to Shalman camp, but due to snow in the way were returned and were to stay in UNHCR screening cell for a day, and distributed the same package containing flour 10 kg, sugar 1 kg, beans 2 kg, tea 1 kg and cooking oil 1 kg to another 110 families in Peshawar to the newly arrived families in board area.
- f) Cloths and food items distribution to refugee's children and females

HCI received relief items containing cloths and food items from its head office, those cloths were distributed to 684 Afghan children studying in Hope village School and 400 females mostly widows also received cloths and food items (beans, pasta, and juice) working in Skill training center and patients and their relatives visiting HCI clinic in Akora Khattak.

Sacrificed (Zabiha) meat distribution.

- 1) Under our Zabiha program, HCI performed Zabiha and distributed meat in Akora khattak refugee camp, Kachagari camp, the Shelman camp, Safaid Dhari, Pawaka area, the beneficiaries in these location were 1690 needy families.
- 2) A qiqqa and Sadqa were also done and distributed to the poor families from time to times as were advised.

Quilt production and distribution to new Afghan refugees

HCI produced 3000 quilt in our vocational training centre, by engaging 200 Afghan families who were trained in tailoring, thus provided a good chance for income for the widows and poor women for wages bases.

On completion of these quilts 1,500 quilts were handed over to UNHCR for distribution to Afghan refugee in Shalman camp and 900 quilts were distributed in Old Bagzai camp in Kurum agency and the rest in Akora camp.

Sanitation and Shelter program

- 1) HCI on an emergency basis constructed 20 latrines for male and female and two shelters in Takhtabeg repatriation centre. As UNHCR was urgently needed, so HCI engineering section completed and handed over it in a short period of time.

165 latrines were constructed in Akora Khattak as was demanded by UNHCR for the poor families in the camp.

- 2) Extra 2 rooms were also constructed for UNHCR repatriation centre in Takhtabeg as these were urgently needed by UNHCR.
- 3) Six water tanks have been installed in the repatriation center.

IN AFGHANISTAN

Education:

Farm Hada Girl Primary School

HCI is operating an girls School in farm Hada Jalalabad, during Taliban time we were successfully running the same School as a home based School with two to three centers located in different locations, in the last days of Taliban due to little softness in their policy towards female education, we have started full-scale primary school for the girls in Farm Hada area in Jalalabad. The school is now up to 6th, 183 students are studying in different classes. The School is staffed with five females and two males teachers. HCI is providing salaries for the staff and books stationary to the girl and cloths are also been provided to the orphan girls. UNICEF has donated some stationary to the students.

The same School is also operating as Hifiz ul-Quran markaz and Nazara Quran for the girls in second time. 54 girls are studying in the evening time.

Child Sponsorship Program (CSP) for education:

Under child sponsorship program HCI is sponsoring 100 children in Jalalabad, Laghaman, and Logar for their education. The children who are sponsored by this program are studying in different schools.

Vocational training centre:

HCI is operating a vocational training centre for 32 girls & widows in Farm Hada Jalalabad. The females are trained in traditional Afghan embroidery.

Social Assistance Program:

Food assistance to the poor families in Ramadan

Under Ramadan feeding program HCI provided food packages containing rice, beans and oil to needy families in Kabul and Jalalabad beneficiaries were 1300 families.

Zabiha (sacrifice meat) program

Sacrifices meat was distributed to vulnerable families in, Jalalabad and Kunar area. Most of the beneficiaries of this program were orphans, disabled and very needy families, Total number of beneficiaries were 870 families.

Emergency relief program for War effected people

Human Concern International arranged a food distribution program for the war affected people in Kuram village in Torghar area in Nangrahar province, four trucks loaded with food items consists of wheat flour, cooking oil and beans were distributed in the presence of local authorities.

The beneficiaries were 1100 families of the unfortunate village, as this village was directly affected from the bombardment and village was very poor.

Boxes of 200 of winter clothing were donated to an organization (Canadian relief foundation) working in Kabul for distribution to the poor people in Kabul.

Medicines support form Head office:

HCI head office donated medicines for HCI health activities for Afghan refugees and inside Afghanistan. Our health services have utilized these medicines and are still utilizing these medicines for the refugees by our Mother and Child health clinic and our psychiatry centre for Afghan refugees. These medicine support have proved very useful to run our mother & child health and Psychiatry clinics in Akora Khattak. Medicines from this donation were also donated to Shamshato camp hospital and IMET hospital in Karachi, that is serving the poor peoples those are unable to treat their children and themselves in other expensive hospitals.

HCI Rehabilitation and Reconstruction program

HCI rehabilitation and reconstruction office in Jalalabad has done the following projects.

- 1) Surkhrod District, Canal, irrigation and Shallow wells rehabilitation project.

HCI completed this project in the mentioned district that benefited the villages, Dehbaloo, Saidani Duladi, Qala-i-Abdullah Khan, Banda Azim Khan, Char Qala and Sawati fillages. This project provided water for irrigation purposes and portable water for the villages. It involved rehabilitation of 32300 m length irrigation canal, rehabilitation of 6 irrigation wells, rehabilitation of 20 shallow wells. It was co-funded by WFP.

- 2) HCI also completed rehabilitation of roads, Canal, Intake and Shallow wells project in Wattapur and Nurgal are in Kunar province Afghanistan in April to July 2001.

Food beneficiaries were 3500 male and 4008 females and food recipients were 1260 male workers. 178.40 MT wheat and US\$ 5000 was involved as a commodity and cash budget for the project. The project was successfully completed and handed over to the community. The people of the area are very happy from this project because the canal is the main canal for the area and it was timely completed to meet their irrigation requirement.

- 3) Survey and assessment has been completed for six other projects two for school feeding and four for rehabilitation of roads and canal rehabilitation in Nangrahar and Kunar provinces.

HCI engineering team surveyed different other Districts in Jalalabad, Kabul, Kunar, for irrigation, road and public buildings reconstruction/repair projects, in connection with its rehabilitation program.

Pakistan Operation

The following programs and projects were initiated in this operation.

1. Raja Project.

HCI delivered the designated funds for Raja Mohammed Yar Khan project in Rawalpindi for its education projects and widows and poor families assisting programs. HCI Pakistan transferred all the designated funds to the project, acknowledged with proper voucher receipts of every transfer. Proper reporting were demanded from the Director of the project on release of each fund, however some simple reports with photographs were submitted to us by Raja Battih as the progress report of his project activities.

2) Family Support program.

HCI is regularly transferring designated funds to the poor and widows families for supporting their families in NWFP, Punjab and Sindh province of Pakistan. Funds for those families are transferred to their banks accounts or directly to their address by Money orders, proper receipt and record are kept and the transfer has been confirmed from the recipients.

3) Clothing's were arranged for the poor families from the Sadqat funds designated for this purposes.

4) Food distribution to poor Pakistanis

Dry food items were distributed to poor Pakistani families in Peshawar and its adjacent area.

5). Wells project: Two wells were dug and pumps were installed in a remote District of Chitral NWFP province, the beneficiaries were 30 families and dozen of other passerby. The people were able to get clean and cold drinking water and water for their other daily usages.

The people of those localities were very happy with these wells and Thankful, were praying for HCI and for the donors. After successful completion of these well many other communities people have approached our office in Peshawar and requesting for installation of wells in their localities. They consider HCI as specialized agency in Well construction, because our constructed well have produced very good results.

Zabiha program

- 1) Under Zabiha program sacrificed meat were also provided to the needy Pakistani families in Nowakali, Palosi, Spinwari, Rahatabad, Palosai, Ring road, Kohat Road, in Sadar and city area for about 1001 families.
- 2) Sacrificed meat were distributed among Kashmir refugees, beneficiaries were 854 Kashmiri refugees in ambor, Herkotli and Kamser 1 camps in Muzafarabad.

Ramadan Feeding program

Ramadan feeding programs were arranged for poor Pakistani families. The beneficiaries were some 400 families.

HCI also distributed rice 5 kg, sugar 5 kg and grams 5 kg each to the Kashmiri refugees in Muzafarabad at Pataka, Mankpiyan, Hitkotli and Ambor refugee. The beneficiaries were about 1100 families under Ramadan feeding program.

